



## 2014 "THREE BAGS FULL" FLEECE COMPETITION & SALE RULES

Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair  
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[www.FiberAndFolk.com](http://www.FiberAndFolk.com)

### The purpose of Three Bags Full is threefold:

1. To provide feedback and a market for our fleece producers
2. To provide top quality fleeces for our spinners
3. To inform the public about different animals and breeds, the fleeces they produce, and uses for different types of wool

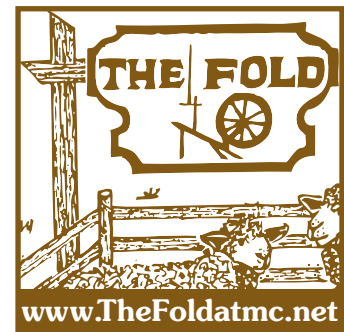
### Fleece Rules and Standards

1. Fleeces may be in show only, or both show and sale. There is no provision for sale only.
2. Fleeces will be judged primarily on suitability for handspinning.
3. Fleeces must be from the current (2013-2014) shearing and represent no more than 15 months growth (sheep).
4. Fleeces must be clean, free of chaff, burrs, tags, second cuts, and insects.
5. Fleeces must be skirted and in a large, clear, plastic bag; only one fleece per bag.
6. Each fleece must be tagged with a 3x5 card folded in half. On the inside, print name, address, and phone number; on the outside, write division, class, and breed.
7. If fleece is for competition only and is not for sale, print also "NFS" on outside of card.
8. If fleece is for sale, mark also on outside of card: weight, price per pound and total cost. AND put a business card with the name of the animal, weight of the fleece, price per pound and total cost in an envelope (judging is blind) on the INSIDE of the bag for the buyer. A 3" X 5" photo of the animal may be included INSIDE the bag to help market the fleece.
9. Judging is against a standard, not comparative among entries. If judge feels no fleece in any particular class is a first place standard, for example, no first place will be awarded in that class. This applies to all places, all classes, all divisions.
10. In Divisions II & III: If there are fewer than 3 fleeces per class, the Judge, The Fair, and the Sponsors reserve the right to combine age groups and/or classes.
11. The Judges, the Fair, and Sponsors reserve the right to disqualify any fleece if rules and standards are not met.
12. All Judge's decisions are final.

### DIVISIONS AND CLASSES

#### Division I: Sheep: Classes:

- A. Fine: Spinning Count 64's to 80's (e.g. Merino, Rambouillet, Targhee)  
A1: White Fleece      A2: Colored Fleece
- B. Medium: Spinning Count 50's to 62's (e.g. Columbia, Corriedale, Tunis)  
B1: White Fleece      B2: Colored Fleece
- C. Long: Spinning Count 36's to 48's (e.g. Leicester, Lincoln, Romney)  
C1: White Fleece      C2: Colored Fleece
- D. Double Coated: (e.g. Karakul, Navajo-Churro, Scottish Blackface)  
D1: White Fleece      D2: Colored Fleece



The Division I contact is Carol Cassidy-Fayer You may contact Carol through e-mail at [carol@fiberandfolk.com](mailto:carol@fiberandfolk.com).

### Awards: All awards are sponsored by The Fold: [www.thefoldatmc.net](http://www.thefoldatmc.net)

**Champion:** \$125 and blue rosette

**Reserve Champion:** \$100 and red rosette

**1st place each class:** \$10 and blue ribbon

**2nd place each class:** \$5 and red ribbon

**3rd place each class:** yellow ribbon

**Division II: Llama**

- A. Double Coat:
  - A1: 5 – 24 months      A2: 25+ months
- B. Single Coat:
  - B1: 5 – 24 months      B2: 25+ months
- C. Suri:
  - C1: 5 – 24 months      C2: 25+ months

The Division II & III Fleece Competition & Sale coordinator is Becky McMillan. You may contact Becky through e-mail at [btck@magicwillowsalpacas.com](mailto:btck@magicwillowsalpacas.com).

**Awards (see web site for sponsors)**

**Champion:** \$125 and blue rosette  
**Reserve Champion:** \$100 and red rosette  
**1st place each class:** \$10 and blue ribbon  
**2nd place each class:** \$5 and red ribbon  
**3rd place each class:** yellow ribbon

**Division III: Alpaca**

- A. Huacaya, Light:
  - A1: 5 – 24 months      A2: 25+ months
- B. Huacaya, Dark:
  - B1: 5 – 24 months      B2: 25+ months
- C. Huacaya, Mixed:
  - C1: 5 – 24 months      C2: 25+ months
- D. Suri,
  - D1: 5 – 24 months      D2: 25+ months
- E. Suri, Dark:
  - E1: 5 – 24 months      E2: 25+ months

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**2nd place each class:** \$5 and red ribbon  
**3rd place each class:** yellow ribbon

**To Enter the Fleece Competition and Sale**

1. Entry fees: \$5 per fleece.
2. Commission: 10% commission will be assessed for all fleeces sold.
3. The selling price of fleeces shall be set by the producers.
4. Pre-registration until 7pm on July 15, 2014.
  - a) Registration Forms are completed online at [www.fiberandfolk.com/fleece.htm](http://www.fiberandfolk.com/fleece.htm)
  - b) Pay for fees online at [www.fiberandfolk.com/fleece.htm](http://www.fiberandfolk.com/fleece.htm) (Add to Cart buttons)
  - c) Download tags and complete 2 tags per fleece

**Fleece drop off/delivery:**

1. Thursday, July 31, 2014, 9AM–6PM at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Grayslake, IL OR
2. Ship fleeces to:
  - A Dreiske Local Moving, Inc.
  - 3203 Lakeside Court
  - McHenry, IL 60050
  - ATTEN: MIDWEST FIBER & FOLK FLEECE COMPETITION

Shipped packages will ONLY be accepted if received between July 22 through postal delivery time on July 29. Fleeces will be delivered to the Fairgrounds early morning on July 30. Any fleece received before or after these dates will NOT be accepted.

**Pick Up/Return Shipping:**

1. Fleeces not sold may be picked up at the Fair on Sunday from 2PM–4PM. Any fleece not picked up by 4PM will be considered abandoned and become property of the Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair.
2. Shipped fleeces MUST include a prepaid shipping address label. Fleeces not sold will be returned to the entrant in their same boxes within 30 days after the Fair. Postage checks will not be accepted. Fleeces shipped without a prepaid return postage label will be considered abandoned and become the property of the Midwest Fiber & Folk Art Fair.

**Judging and Fleece Sale**

**Judging:** Div II & III Friday AM, time TBA. Judging for Div I will be Saturday AM, time TBA

**Fleece Sale hours:** Friday: after judging until 6PM; Saturday (after Judging for Div I) 10AM–6PM; and Sunday 10AM–2PM

**Payment and Prizes:** Payment for sold fleeces will be sent within 30 days after the Fair.

Fleeces will be in a secure building, monitored by personnel during Fair hours, and locked at night.

**Refund Policy**

There will be NO REFUNDS issued for late arrivals that do not make it to the Fair.

There will be NO REFUNDS on entry fees.

ALL FLEECE SALES ARE FINAL—no refunds or returns.